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REPUBLICAN TOWN TICKET.

- Selections.
- CASPER K. BAILEY
CHARLES P. BUSHNELL.
- Assessors.
- FRANK H. WOODWORTH,
ALBIE L. HALE.
- Board of Relief.
- ANSEL A. BECKWITH,
FRED G. PROTHRO.
- Town Clerk and Town Treasurer.
- CHARLES S. HOLBROOK.
- Tax Collector.
- THOMAS A. ROBINSON.
- Agents Town Deposit Fund.
- CHARLES W. GALE,
FRANK L. WOODARD,
WILLIAM H. ALLEN.
- Members Town School Board.
- HERBERT M. LEROU, Oct. 1915.
B. P. BISHOP, Oct. 1916.
- Registrar of Voters.
- TYLER D. GUY.
- Constables.
- GUSTAVE LAMBERT,
JOHN REEVES,
GEORGE W. ROUSE,
ALVAH F. GARDNER.
- Auditor.
- DANIEL F. M'NEIL.

THE NEW WESTERN OFFENSIVE.

While it is probable that the full effect of the offensive by the allies in the west has not been disclosed it has demonstrated how firmly entrenched are the opposing forces and the terrific fighting which is necessary to make any appreciable gain in one direction or the other. It is the first big advance by the allies since the bloody fighting that took place at Neuve Chapelle, but in this latest endeavor the allies have demonstrated that they have the artillery, the ammunition and the men for making just such a fight as is necessary to push back the enemy.

It was not many weeks ago that fault was being found because there was a shortage of the right kind of shells for beating back the enemy, but the gunfire which preceded the infantry advance for a period of 70 hours indicates that the need has been supplied and as the result material assistance has been given to the armies.

Berlin maintains that the Teuton line has not been broken and that it cannot be, but it has been demonstrated that the so-called impregnable trenches are no longer such and that when a break is made in the line it will be accomplished by just such a determined assault as that which has been made in the past few days. The offensive has demonstrated the strength of the allies in the west and the advancement made can be expected to have a beneficial effect upon the operations required in the east.

SHOULD HELP THE MILITIA.

Throughout the past summer the importance of military training such as has been afforded by the military camps has been fully recognized. Conditions have caused greater attention to be directed thereto than prevailed in previous years for some time and it appears that a better understanding is being gained relative to the importance of adequate preparation. It is folly to believe that this or any other country, however strong it may stand for peace at home and with foreign nations, can wait until war has been declared or until a foe is actually on its shores before making any preparations to oppose such a possibility.

The summer military camps have been rendering an important service in educating men along lines which would be invaluable in case of an emergency. These outdoor training schools have made a popular appeal and while by reason of the weather they have not been forced to abandon the work in the northern states just yet the time is coming when they will.

The good effects of their training should, however, result to the stimulation of greater interest in the military organizations maintained throughout the various states. These bodies are today given a higher rating than ever before because of the

government supervision of the work, but they invariably show depleted ranks and a lack of enthusiasm. It is not too much to believe that the lessons of the training camps will prove the needed force for creating new life in and appreciation of the national guardmen. In those organizations the valuable work and training is carried on the year round.

THE HAITIANS' RESISTANCE.

In view of the fact that the whole purpose of this country's efforts in the service which it has undertaken to render for Haiti is altruistic, it is unfortunate indeed that it should be accompanied at the start, or at any time for that matter, by bloodshed and the loss of life.

Indications are of the best that the proposed treaty between the republics will be ratified and this country in the steps that it has taken in anticipation of the series of revolutions which have taken time by the forelock for the interests of all concerned.

The resistance which is being offered to the United States was to be expected from the very fact that such control as it proposes to exercise over the island republic means the end of the series of revolutions which has been conducted there and thus a serious interference with the political convulsion which has so long been a blackeye to those people and brought them to the verge of bankruptcy.

The United States is not trying to control the series of revolutions which its progress downward with unceasing regret and it realizes that if Haiti is to be protected from its own incompetency and from the grip of others who will handle it without mercy it is time to lend that assistance which will aid it in getting back on a sound basis. For the most part it is believed the Haitians recognize the help which this country can be and will welcome its advice and guidance, but it is the element which has brought it where it is that can be expected to cause trouble.

RURAL SERVICE EXTENSION.

It was only a short time ago that the post office department was seeking the advice of its representatives throughout the country as to how the expense could be cut down. It was recognized that the cost of operation was getting away from the receipts and curtailment was desired. This resulted in a big trimming out of employees under the belief that it would not injure the efficiency of the service. To all appearances it looked like the maintenance upon economy without the disturbance of the public's accommodation.

Now comes the announcement that during the Wilson administration there has been instituted by the postoffice department 6,000 new rural free delivery routes and that there are but 59 petitions in which have not been acted upon. The necessity of furnishing such service to sections of the country which are without it can be appreciated provided the conditions are such as to have good reason for such extensions. That the establishment of such a large number of new routes, which it must be understood can hardly be expected to meet expenses for some time, makes a good sized hole in the department appropriations is highly probable.

Thus the service in existence was to all appearances given the pruning knife that the rural service might receive the extension which the department has considered good policy from a political, if not from a business standpoint. Operating upon such a basis it will be interesting to discover the means by which these same ends meet at the close of the fiscal year and at the same time satisfy the people.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The weather has driven hay fever to its last line of defense.

The entrance of Greece among the mobilized may help Bulgaria to slide to a quicker decision about Serbia.

In deciding to recall Dr. Dumba, it has taken Austria a long time to make up its mind as to what it had better do.

The man on the corner says: Man can't abuse his stomach as he would a dog and expect to maintain its affection.

From the way in which the Italians keep on capturing mountain peaks, it ought to bring forth Dr. Cook's enlistment.

When it comes to meeting the war debts posterity over in Europe will have more cause than ever to talk about their ancestors.

When it comes to making a drive for the finish the armies in Europe are doing their best to lower the interest in the pennant races.

The action of President Wilson in going to New Jersey to participate in the primary is a lesson for every possessor of the right of suffrage.

While the advocates of the jenny submarine are knocking each other's claims Germany is likely to get busy and put such a machine into operation.

The German ambassador makes short work of answering the appeals that Germany put a stop to the Armenian atrocities. There are no atrocities.

Thus far no appeal has been received from Mexico that Col. Bryan be induced to try his peace influence in that country before going to Europe.

It is now declared that New York has sub-let its rotten rock. That may possibly be the source of its influence which crops out on the surface there occasionally.

The statement that cave-ins where subways are being constructed in New York does not serve to reestablish confidence. It is a serious case of watch your step.

It was a different looking army that captivated Washington 50 years ago but there has been no change in the patriotism of those same members of the Grand Army who are in Washington today.

The best possible administration of town affairs is what the voters of Norwich should insist upon and they should see that their requirements are fulfilled by getting out to the polls election day.

THEIR TRUE SELVES

"Who do you suppose is in town?" said Marion as she looked herself on the arm of Herbert's chair, quietly arranging his pretty necktie.

"Why, I don't know, dear," he replied.

"Well, you know them very fashionable people named Cobbs we met last summer; they are over to John's and we promised that if they ever came to our town we would have them call on us. Why not have them over to dine?"

"Here's our chance to show them that we are somebody more than just two little sissy newly-weds."

Having decided they would invite the Cobbs and having set the date, Marion sat down to the desk to write a note, saying she and Mr. Brown would be very pleased to have them over that evening, as stated, for dinner.

Marion put "a little informal affair!" She thought it sounded well.

After asking her husband's advice and disregarding it as many times, thinking her own clever ideas were better than his, although he always maintained that it was he who was the original idea-man. "Now what shall we have to eat?" questioned Marion after they were quietly settled.

"Let's have some kind of soup, say tomato bisque, for the first course, and then—"

"Oh, don't have that," interrupted Herbert.

"Now, look here, what do you think this is going to be—a family smoke talk?"

"Oh-oh no," condescended Herbert, "of course not."

"Well, you talk as if it were; you must remember we are going to have a first-class time."

So it went on until all was arranged. "Oh, and the wine, dear. You will have to bring it from the club the night before. I presume we will want champagne."

"Gee, this is going to cost a mint," groaned Herbert.

"Of course it is, dear, but we have so few of these times this one will not ruin us."

Marion and Herbert had spent a very delightful time the summer before last among the beautiful hills of the Berkshires. There they met the most exclusive set of the social world. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Cobbs, who were considered by all very wealthy, so naturally Marion decided "it was up to them to get in right."

The Cobbs were in most of the distinguished functional affairs, with their names appearing on the first page of some of the leading papers from time to time.

When word came that the invitation was accepted, the little home of Browns was in uproar. Marion and home evenings Herbert was so tired of this dinner affair he didn't want to

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OTHER VIEW POINTS

"I am a German," says Professor Munsterberg, "and never intended to be anything else." It is gratifying to learn that there is no hyphen in his designation, but an earlier explanation would have relieved more misapprehension as to the Professor's status. In certain respects, of course, more latitude may be allowed a "German" than a "German-American."—Providence Bulletin.

Are people losing interest in football? With the major portion of the undergraduate body not yet arrived, with the graduate body not yet interested, with the university almost a week short of its opening, a crowd of 6,000 or so in the Bowl. What shall we have in a few weeks, when everybody is back, when the team is in form and some of the really good preliminary games come on? Football is not losing interest. —New Haven Register.

The number of surgical operations performed on Rockville people during the past year has been large and in each instance the patient had to go to Hartford. Rockville ought to have at least an emergency hospital. The number of operations of quite a strong nature, but like everything else, has been allowed to die, simply for the lack of some one to show sufficient interest and energy to push it to a conclusion. An emergency hospital is possible. Let's have it.—Rockville Journal.

On the whole it is fairer and wiser to continue as the best newspapers do, printing the news and printing it as they see it, than to try to be impartial, accepting the while, with such animosity as may be possible, the dissemination of the propaganda, that each side of the controversy knows about how the news should be treated than the unintelligent scoundrels whom the newspaper employs as exponents of the community position, who are no other member so lost to all sense of justice and civic responsibility as the miserable publisher.—Hartford Times.

While it has not attracted so much attention as the negotiations over the billion dollar European war loan, New York has been justly proud of its largest cash transaction in its history by paying off \$57,000,000 of indebtedness all at one time. The obligation was incurred last year in order to raise money with which to take up loans of the city falling due in London just after the outbreak of the war. At that time the bonds just taken up into little anxiety to city officials and attracted much attention on account of the heavy rate of exchange against the dollar. The transaction last week received scarcely any notice, the contrast illustrating the tremendously strong financial position of the United States as compared with a year ago.—Waterbury Republican.

A sheep is harmless enough. He thinks up no devilish schemes. He has a good disposition, and seldom gets mad, unless boys tease him. He is even pretty. Poets write about him, but that may be no recommendation, for poets do many strange things. With all his good qualities, however, a sheep remains a sheep. He lives a life of going sheep, as he seems to think he was born to do. No sheep has ever tried to become something greater, higher, better than a sheep. He never tries to take the place of a collie dog, or horse, or cow, or camel, or steam engine, or man. He is born, and he grows up (maybe) to have his wool clipped for others to profit. Finally he dies before his time for other to eat. So while we may say that he is a liable sort of a mutt, the sheep, we cannot say that he arouses any feeling of great admiration, or that he is a human sheep.—New Haven Times-Leader.

ENGLISH INDIFFERENCE

GROSSLY EXAGGERATED

Sir Gilbert Parker of London Replies to American Letters.

The following is extracted from a letter written by Sir Gilbert Parker from London under date of July 7th to a well-known San Franciscan:

Believe me, the indifference of the English people has been grossly exaggerated and cruelly misrepresented. Of course great numbers of people do not realize, as the people of France, who have the enemy on their own soil, realize, the exact meaning and extent of the war, and the tremendous issues involved. So the papers like the London Times and the Daily Mail exaggerated the situation in order to arouse all classes, and make the most apathetic in the most distant corner of these islands wake up. England is working now as she never worked before in all her history; but we have been up against a proposition as colossal as ever faced any nation. We were unprepared for it, and nothing ought to tell more in favor than the fact that we did not foresee and did not prepare for so ghastly a crime against humanity.

I only say this to you to give my feelings vent, because I have received a great many letters which have stirred me greatly. I replied to one yesterday which was written to me by a correspondent in Michigan, and I am sending you herewith an extract from my reply:

I must make a firm protest against

The War a Year Ago Today

Sept. 29, 1914.

German occupied Moll and Malmedy and bombarded Liège. Outer defenses of Antwerp shelled by the Germans. Serbia rebuffed Serbia. Rumania swept near northern Hungary.

Japanese invaded Tsingtau. Chinese blew up railroad bridges to hinder progress of Japanese. British warships bombarded Tsingtau. German cruiser Emden sank five British steamers in Gulf of Bengal and all tank steamers at Madras. Zeppelin dropped bombs in Belgian towns.

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There is no more degeneracy in Glasgow or London than there is in Pittsburgh or New York. I have read the grossest libels in American newspapers on so-called British apathy and lack of patriotism. There is a percentage of slackers and of non-patriots; so there was in the Civil War of the United States among the peace-loving people and it was only conscription that produced the army which finally ended with the surrender at Appomattox.

I have not seen the article in the Century for June, but I will get it at once. It is wonderful how France impresses everybody who goes there, but it must be remembered that the men of France are in the field, and all the men of England can not be in the field until we have sufficient equipment, and how could we have sufficient equipment when our army was organized upon a basis of 250,000 men? To have got an army of three million men in a year is a stupendous piece of work, and, if the equipment is not complete, well, no nation on earth could have produced the equipment for so many men in that time. Also the war is carried on within French territory, and the terrible strain is upon the people of France, and the men of France are in the field, and all the men of England can not be in the field until we have sufficient equipment, and how could we have sufficient equipment when our army was organized upon a basis of 250,000 men? 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